IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

In re: Application of

BURNE et al.

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For:

RECOMBINANT ALKALINIZING BACTERIA

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification appear on page 2.

Remarks appear on page 3.